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PREVENTING DISRUPTIONS IN
SET-TOP TERMINAL FUNCTION
DUE TO THE DOWNLOAD OF
UPDATED PROGRAMMING OR DATA
TO THE SET-TOP TERMINAL

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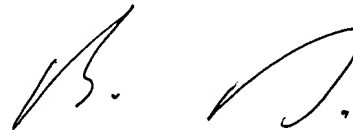
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